

The MIRCal of Quality Data

Presenter:

Cheri Hummel

Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD)

The MIRCal of Quality Data

Log on to MIRCal and submit your inpatient data file to OSHPD

MIRCal processes your data:

Transmittal validation

License Check

Grouper

Edit Programs

TRANSMITTAL VALIDATION

- ✓ Virus infected files
- No data within the file
- ✓ Incorrect file format

- Discrepancy in number of records
- "Invalid" discharge dates
- ✓ Incorrect facility ID number

File is rejected if it fails any of these validations and will NOT be processed further

LICENSE CHECK

Does report match licensing information?

- All licensed Types of Care reported
- ✓ ED Services- admits through your ED?

Data will NOT be processed further if they fail the license check

GROUPER

Grouper assigns the DRG and MDC

MIRCal Edit Programs

Edit Programs

- ◆Trend Edits
- ◆ Comparative Edits
- ◆ Ungroupable Records (DRG 470)
- ◆Standard Edits
- ◆ Coding Edits
- ♦ Re-Admission Edits
- ◆ Exception Edits

TREND EDITS

- Compare current data reported against historical data (past two report periods)
- Check the percentage of increase or decrease in each data element category
- If the difference is significant, then data are rejected
- If the difference is verified, override is enabled

TREND EDITS

Example:

- Patient Disposition "Routine" is reported as 35%
- The historical percentage reported was 50%
- Difference of 15% (decrease)

Result:

Data failed this edit

TREND EDITS

Trend Edits are identified by a T or TW Flag

- T flag: Critical error-- data fails
- TW flag: Non-critical error (or warning flag) and will not fail

Trend Edit Summary Report displays the data element categories that have T or TW flags

One or more T-Flags will cause the data to fail the Trend Edit Program

- Affects current report period data only
- Edits both numbers and percentages reported in each data element category and compares against the total number of records reported
- Checks distribution of data within each of the data element categories

 Edits range from 100% reported to 'No Data' reported in any one of the data element categories

 MIRCal edits 'Unknown' and 'Other' data element categories -- based on the number of discharges reported

Examples of Comparative Edits:

C015 100% of records reported with Patient Disposition as Against Medical Advice

C022 No Principal Procedures
Reported

- Comparative Edits are identified by a C Flag
- The Comparative Edit Summary Report displays the C-Flags by data element category
- One or more C-Flags will cause the data to fail the Comparative Edit Program

UNGROUPABLE RECORDS

- Checks for records that grouped to DRG 470
- DRG 470's are identified by S Flags

Examples:

- S901 Blank or Invalid Principal Diagnosis
- S903 Age is less than 0 or greater than 124 yrs old

If your data fail this edit program, correction or verification would be necessary

STANDARD EDITS

Standard Edit Program checks for blank, invalid, or illogical data

Standard Edit errors are identified by S flags

- S001 Blank (was the B flag)
- S002 Invalid (was the * flag)
- S018 Duplicate ICD-9-CM Code (was the T flag)

ETL: Data will fail the Standard Edit Program if the percentage of records with S flags is greater than 2%

- Check for illogical combinations of ICD-9-CM Codes within a record
- Coding Edit Errors are identified by V flags

ETL: Data will fail the Coding Edit Program if the percentage of records with V flags is greater than 2%

NEW EDITS - EFFECTIVE 1/1/2001

- V0901 Low birth weight status versus low birth weights
- V0902 Post-term pregnancy between
 40-42 weeks versus prolonged pregnancy
 greater than 42 weeks

DELETED EDITS - EFFECTIVE 1/1/2001

- V0175 Ulceration and atherosclerosis of lower extremities
- V0212 Use of ICD-9-CM V10 code for secondary malignancies

"Inactive" Edits

- The same Coding Edits that were "turned off" for 2000 data will be "turned off" for 2001 data
- See the Coding Edit Manual for a list of these edits

RE-ADMISSION EDITS

Sorted by SSN, the Re-Admission Edit Program groups together all inpatient stays for the same patient

- Checks for possible errors in patient demographics
- Checks for possible errors in transfers to/from different Types of Care.

Re-Admission Edits are identified as K Flags

ETL: Data will fail the Re-Admission Edit Program if the percentage of records with K flags is greater than 2%

EXCEPTION EDITS

- Exception Edits are Non-Critical: Data will not be rejected if one or more exception edits are identified
- Exception Edits are identified by X-Flags
- Exception Edit Summary Report displays the X-flags found in your data

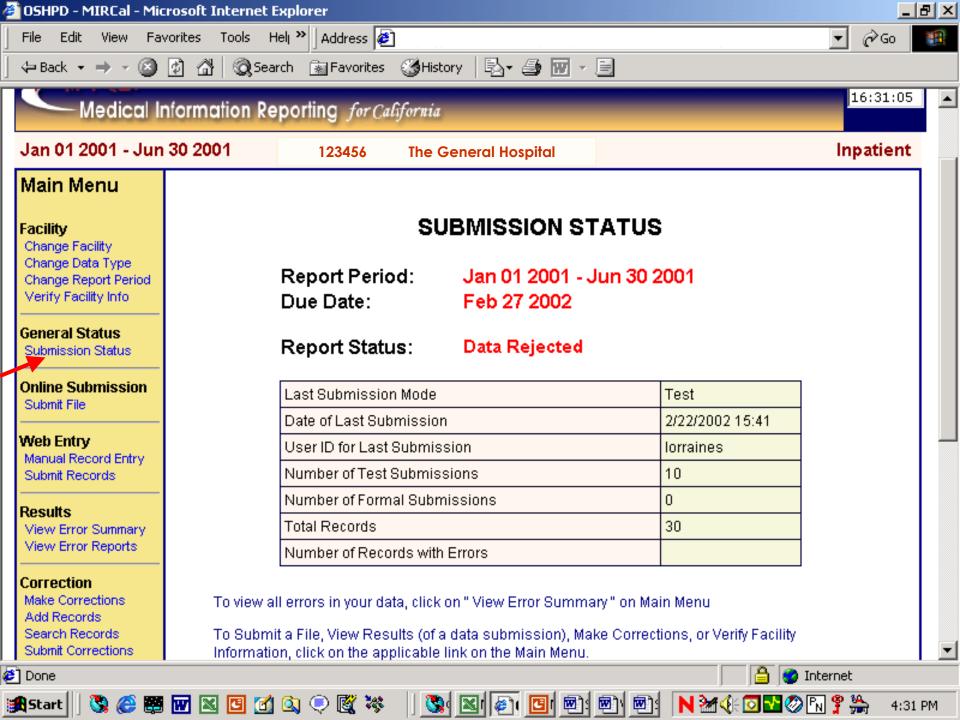
EXCEPTION EDITS

Examples:

- X010: No ZZZZZ (Homeless ZIP Codes reported)
- X003: No E-Codes reported on your Skilled Nursing Records
- X007: 50% or more of Place of Occurrence E-Codes reported as E849.9

Q. How will I know if my data passed the validation and edit programs?

A. Check Submission Status



SUBMISSION STATUS MESSAGES

BOTH TEST AND FORMAL SUBMISSION

Data Rejected ⊗

Data failed ONE or MORE Edit Programs-- Errors are above the established ETL

TEST SUBMISSION

Errors are at or below the established Error Tolerance Level (ETL) - Submit as FORMAL

FORMAL SUBMISSION

Data Approved ©

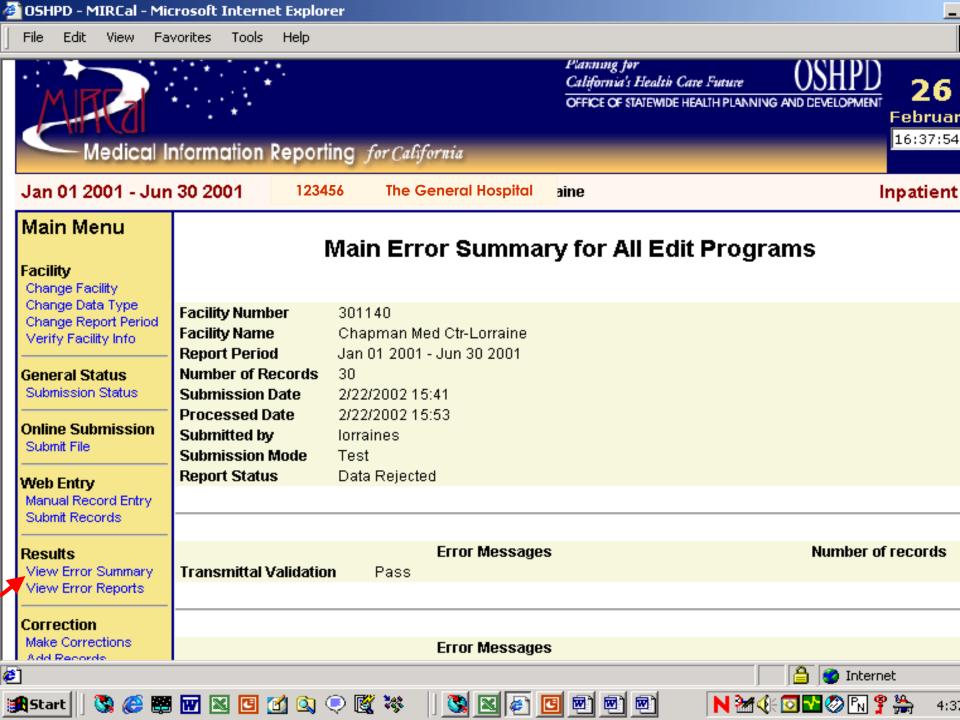
Data passed all Edit Programs

RESULTS

 Check the results of your submission in 24 hours

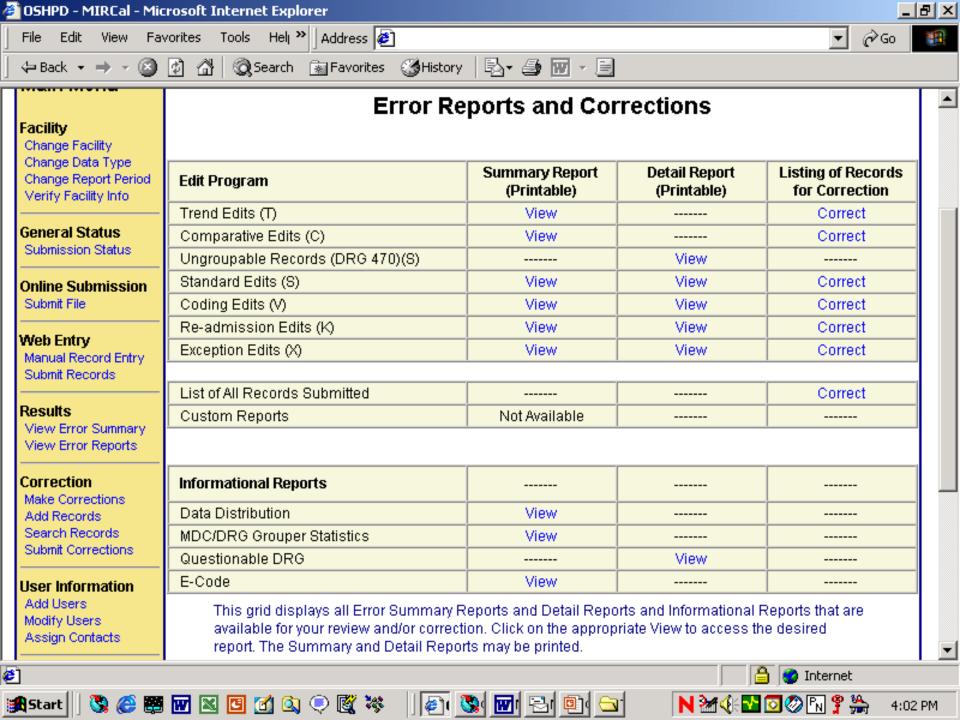
All Error Summary and Detail Reports will be available through MIRCal

 At the Main Menu locate and select the View Error Summary option under Results



REPORTS

Review the Trend and Comparative Summary Reports first.



The MIRCal of Quality Data

Error Analysis: OSHPD continues to look for better ways to improve data quality

When will the CBT be available?

How do I access the CBT?

www.oshpd.state.ca.us/hid/infores/patient/mircal/index.htm

